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Vienna, May 1.

YEsterday arrived here a Courier from the *Rhine*, who gives an account that the march of the Army had been deferred for some days through want of Forage, but that about the middle of this month the Army would be in the Field. An Express is likewise arrived from *Hungary*, who sayes, that the Rebels increase daily in strength, and that they can at present make a Body of 17000 men, with which they pretend very suddenly to take the Field. By other Letters we have an account of a Rencounter lately hapned between the said Rebels and General *Smit*, in which the *Imperialists* had at first the disadvantage, and lost about 250 men; but that Major General *Wurmb* coming in to the assistance of the *Imperialists* with some fresh Troops, the Rebels were worsted, and lost about 2000 men. Some Persons come from *Turky* speak, as if there were an appearance of a War breaking out between the *Turks* and the *Persians*.

Copenhagen, April 30. We have had several reports here of attempts made by the *Suedes* upon *Christianstadt*, which have still proved to be without any ground. The King of *Denmark* having appointed some light Frigats to lie before *Malmoe*, the *Suedes* attempted the other night to set fire to them, as they lay at Anchor, but it succeeded not; and it is said the *Suedes* were repulsed with loss. On Sunday last the King, accompanied with his Brother Prince *George*, passed over to *Landscroon*, and returned again yesterday.

Ditto, May 7. A great number of small Vessels have been prepared, who are to fetch the Troops which the Sieur *Guldenlieu* brings from *Norway*. The 5th instant about 30 Vessels sailed from *Elsenore*, to transport the Troops they had on board to *Marstrant*. To morrow the Kings Regiment of Guards will pass over to *Schonen*, and all the rest of our Troops will be on that side by the 12 or 13 of this month. The Men of War having now pretty well made up their Complements of Seamen, have Orders to sail. The Boors that come over from *Schonen*, report again that the *Suedes* have made an unsuccessful Attack upon *Christianstadt*; that they had made themselves Masters of a Ravelin, but were afterwards beaten out of it again with considerable loss; but we have been so often deceived with reports of this kind, that we must expect an account from better hands, before we give credit to it. We are just now told, that our Fleet is under Sail, and that it takes its course Northwards.

Hamburgh, May 10. In *Pomeren* the Parties are at present quiet, the *Brandenburgh* Troops are in their quarters, and the *Suedes* on the Isle of *Rugen*. It is said that the *Danes* will again attack it, and that the Elector of *Brandenburgh* only stays till the *Danish* Fleet is at Sea, and that then he will take the Field, and attack *Straelsondt*, while the *Danes* make a Descent on the side of the Sea.

Strasburgh, May 2. We can tell you nothing from these Parts, but that preparations are making on all sides for opening the Campagne. There are those that say, that the *Imperialists* will not stay to lose time in besieging *Friburg*, but that the Duke of *Lorrain* will pass the *Rhine* with the whole Army.

Ditto, May 6. The last night the Duke of *Lorrain* lodged at *Nopenaw*, and will be this day at *Offenburg*, near which place several Regiments and other detached Troops are drawing together. It is not yet certain whether *Friburg* will be besieged or not. The Mareschal *de Crequi* is expected in few dayes at *Schlestadt*, towards which place 20000 *French* are on their march, from the *Franche Comte*, and other places.

Francfort, May 8. The *Munster* Troops have at last quitted their quarters in this Neighborhood, to the great satisfaction of the poor Countrey People, who have been quite wearied with them. The Imperial Army has not been able to hold its general Rendezvous so early as was intended, through the want of Forage, and it's probable it will be the latter end of this month before it can begin to act. The Duke of *Lorrain* is at present at *Offenburg*, whither he has caused several pieces of Cannon to be brought, by which, it should seem, he still continues in the design of besieging *Friburg*. The *French* give out on their side, that they will have a very great Army in *Alsace* this Campagne. The Mareschal *de Crequi* is expected every day at *Schlestadt*.

Cologne, May 10. The *Munster* Troops being on their march this way from the Neighborhood of *Francfort*, where they have had their quarters, our Elector has sent an Officer to meet and conduct them through his Countrey. We have nothing of moment from above. The Duke of *Lorrain* was come to *Offenburg*, and the Imperial Troops were marching that way.

Amsterdam, May 10. His Highness the Prince of *Orange* is at present at the *Hague*, to assist in the Assembly of the States, who have at present matters of very great importance before them. Here we discourse of nothing but Peace, and it's said the Deputies of this City in the Assembly of the States of *Holland*, have Orders to do their utmost to promote it; and the Advices we receive from the *Hague*, say, that several steps have been made towards it. The Prince of *Orange* had, it seems, resolved to endeavor the retaking of *Leeuwe* in *Brabant*, and in order thereunto had already ordered several Troops to march that way; but his Highness was forced to give over that design, for that the *Lunenburgh* Troops who were to assist him in it, absolutely refused to march, till they had first rreceived the monies due to them. The Letters from *Flanders* say, that the Most Christian King will be the 15 of this month at *Ghent*, that a great number of Pioneers had been summoned thither, that a very great Train of Artillery had been provided, with all other things necessary for a Siege. From *Germany* they write, that the Imperial Army was not come together at the time at first intended, through the